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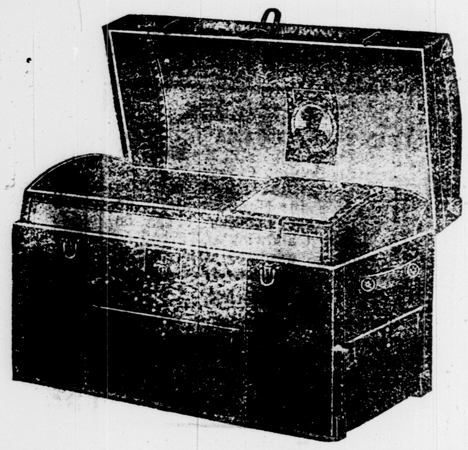

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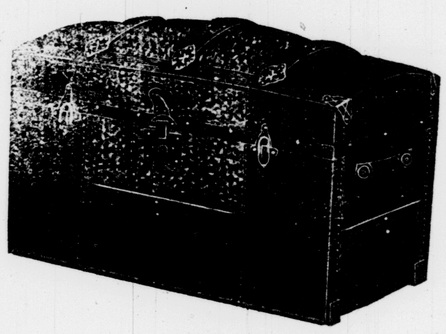

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NEWS.

Personals and Happenings of Interest Gathered for The Democrat's Many Readers.

Mrs. Ed Graham visited in Greenville last week.

Mrs. Rowe visited here from Greenville last week.

Mrs. Mattie Averett has returned to Claude, Texas.

L. A. Sears of Farmersville was on our streets Saturday.

Joe Burger was in Greenville Thursday.

Ollie Bennett of Lebanon marketed the remnant of his 1897 cotton crop here Saturday.

Miss Amy Farrell of Plano was a guest of Miss Fannie Allen during a part of last week.

B. C. Reynolds, of Fayburg, attended the Masonic Grand Lodge in Houston last week. He represented Blue Ridge Lodge.

Sections of more substantial sidewalks are constantly being placed around the square and adjacent streets.

Miss Ollie Plemmons, who is teaching at Melissa, spent Sunday with her parents here.

Mrs. J. F. Hollander drove out to Johnson school house Friday evening after her daughter, Miss Emma, who is teaching there.

J. T. Mantooth, one of Altoga's prominent young citizens, was a caller on THE DEMOCRAT, Saturday.

Mrs. S. M. Cox of St. Paul was in McKinney Saturday and enrolled her name on our list of subscribers.

Erwin Calhoun and bride were in McKinney Thursday. Their home is Lebanon, Tenn., and they were en route to visit an uncle, Mr. Henry Parvin of West Collin.

Misses Mayme Forman of St. Louis and Helen Mangum are visiting the latter's brother County Attorney Mangum and lady in this city.

A. T. Raper, one of THE DEMOCRAT'S Weston readers, called to renew his subscription Saturday.

Mrs. J. Frank Smith came in from Princeton, Friday, to visit her mother, Mrs. Harriet Wilson, who is in feeble health. Mr. Smith also came over Sunday.

Dr, and Mrs. Goodall Harrison Wooten arrived from Austin, Thursday, on a visit to the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Newsome.

W. A. Kinkead, an old and wealthy bachelor living south of Allen, died last week. His wealth consisted mostly of black farming land which, it is reported, he left to two sons of one of his tenants. He was an early settler, of eccentric ways and leaves two sisters besides other relatives.

Deputy Sheriff Will Saterfield of Itasca, Hill county, arrested G. W. Ragland in this county last week on six charges of selling intoxicating liquor in the Itasca local option district. Deputy United States Marshall Will Burke of Waco 'phoned him to hold him for him, as he wanted him on a charge of selling liquor without a license.

Prof. Allison Thompson of Austin College and Mamie Archibald, a former teacher in Carr-Burdette College, of Sherman, were married yesterday at the bride's home at Oxford, Miss. The groom once resided in McKinney where his father was pastor of the Presbyterian church.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Newsome entertained Mr. and Mrs. Will A. Watkins during their stay in McKinney Thursday and Friday of last week. Mrs. W. B. Roberts and Miss Clyde Searcy were entertained by Mrs. Jesse Shain. The visitors were all of Dallas and came up to give the organ recital at the new Christian church Thursday night.

"We are glad to learn that our friend, A. H. McCarty, former Cotton Belt agent at this place, has been promoted to the position of cashier for the Fort Worth & Denver Ry., with office at Fort Worth. Mr. McCarty has been employed by this company as freight clerk since he left Plano, until the recent promotion, which gives him a more lucrative and desirable position."—Plano Star.

Mr. McCarty's friends throughout Collin county join with the Star in expressing gratification at his promotion. His new position is a responsible one; but Mr. McCarty will more than come up to its requirements.

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Serious Runaway.

A serious runaway occurred, Saturday morning, west of town. A. Craus, proprietor of the McKinney Bottling Works, was driving a mule team to Wilson creek after a load of gravel. When near the creek, going down a hill, the mules became unmanageable and were about to dash over the high creek embankment when Mr. Craus reigned them into a tree. In the crash his left leg was broken in two places near the thigh. Two young men passing in a buggy brought Mr. Craus to town, and physicians soon made him as comfortable as possible and set the broken member.

Farmers' Alliance Call.

Bonham, Fannin Co., Tex., Dec. 12.—A rather length call was issued yesterday by the president of the Fannin county Farmers' Alliance, calling a regular meeting of that order for Tuesday, Dec. 28, 1897, at Portland, ten miles south of here and two miles northeast of Bailey. The call says this is a general meeting at which all old members of the order are to have a reunion and to become reinstated again as members. Some of the state officers are expected to be on hand.

Mark Twain's New Story.

Mark Twain's new humorous story, which he is now writing in Vienna, is to go to The Ladies' Home Journal, which magazine has also secured F. morion Crawford's new story, which is a tale of the unreal, with the strikingly uncanny title of "The Dead Smile."

ALLEN ATOMS.

Harvest of Death—Horseman Thrown and Probably Fatally Injured—Newsy Bits.

Dec. 13, '97.

Lebanon has a newspaper. Hurrah for Lebanon.

Bob Floyd left last week for Alabama to see his mother who is not expected to live. She is suffering from a stroke of paralysis.

God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to take from our midst one of our most honored citizens and fellow men in the untimely death of W. A. Kenkaid. "Uncle At," as he was familiarly known, resided two miles south of Allen for a number of years, and was a well to do and highly respected citizen. He died Thursday at 2 o'clock a. m., and was buried at Odd Fellows cemetery, at Allen. His complaint baffled the physicians.

We chronicle, with sad hearts the plucking away in death of one of earth's brightest gems in the taking away of little Marvin Teel, child of Jas. T. Teel at Lebanon. He died last Wednesday at 2 a. m. and was interred at Walnut Grove cemetery. We extend condolence, and join the grief stricken parents in this their sore bereavement.

The little six months old infant of Mr. Bob Eden was buried at Odd Fellows Cemetery of Allen last Monday.

Mrs. Asbury of Lebauon died last week.

Mrs. Isham of near Farmers school house is very ill, not expected to live.

Dr. Carson of the Nation was in in our city one day last week.

C. R. Kinzey will leave in a few days for the East.

Uncle George Chestnut is visiting in Ellis county.

Allen boasts of an active Ladies Aid Society.

Jud McDowell of Rockhill moved with his family last week to Dallas where he will live next year.

Ed Snow of Lebanon had a serious and probably fatal accident last Monday while returning home from McKinney He was thrown from his horse and has never regained consciousness. He is not expected to recover.

Jack Raney is on the sick list.

H. T. Jordan was in Dallas last week on business.

The babe of Mr. Warren Christie is quite sick.

Emmet Erickson and Jesse Block made a flying trip to Van Alstyne one day last week.

Jim Setby has declined going to the Indian Territory.

Mrs. E. F. Young visited in Allen Sunday.

Mrs. Hannan returned from a four weeks visit to her son in Denison, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Layfield have a wee visitor.

Brucus Stanzel of Richardson was here Sunday.

Mrs. John Young and family visited Silas W. Heck and family last Sunday. BIMET.

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Memorial Tribute.

TO THE DEMOCRAT:

'Tis sad, indeed, to look back upon the past, of the many of our Earth's children, who have passed away, flitting beyond the realms of our knowledge, into the blissful abode of the great beyond. Her children pass away one by one, to be mourned by many thousands, but none, to us, are so dear as relatives, one of whom has just passed away in the person of Mrs. Mamie Gause, of Fort Worth, Texas. She was the wife of Geo. L. Gause, a prominent business man of Fort Worth and daughter of C. C. Frost, Sr., of Haskell, Texas, formerly of Farmersville, Texas, and one of Collin county's earliest settlers.

Mrs. Gause and her husband were married at Farmersville, Texas, in March, 1889, and thence went to Fort Worth, which place she resided till Nov. 28, at which time she died, leaving scores of friends and relatives, and an only little daughter, Louise, with her father to mourn her loss. She was a devout Christian, and a member of the First Methodist church, of Fort Worth, the church of her parents' training. She was a sister of C. C. Frost, Jr., now of Farmersville, Texas. Her many deeds of kindness and loving disposition, will linger in the memory of those who knew her until the great Author of all things shall call them home.

A RELATIVE.

McKinney, Texas, Dec. 10, 1897.

NOT ALWAYS UNDERSTOOD.

A fact often overlooked, or not always understood, is that women suffer as much from distressing kidney and bladder troubles as the men. The womb is situated back of and very close to the bladder, and for that reason any distress, disease or inconvenience manifested in the kidneys, back, bladder or urinary passage is often, by mistake, attributed to female weakness or womb trouble of some sort.

The error is easily made and may be as easily avoided by setting urine aside for twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling is evidence that your kidneys and bladder need doctoring. If you have pain or dull aching in the back, pass water too frequently, or scalding, with smarting or burning—these are also convincing proofs of kidney trouble. If you have doctored without benefit, try Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy. The mild and the extraordinary effect will surprise you. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures. If you take a medicine you should take the best. At druggists fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail. Mention THE DEMOCRAT, and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghampton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

Thursday at Sherman J. K. Turney, a Grayson county farmer, securred marriage permits for the tripple weddings of his three children—two daughters and a son. The eldest daughter was seventeen and son under age.

Educating the Masses.

McKinney, Tex., Dec. 14, 97.

We met a teacher a few days ago, who is teaching among another people this year, and upon asking him how he is getting on, received, in substance, this reply: "Pretty well. I have learned that more depends upon the people among whom you teach than upon the teacher. It is useless for us teachers to meet and discuss fine theories of teaching. We need to educate the people." We realized the truth in his statement.

A graduate from Yale is not as good a teacher as a "quituate" of our district schools, when he attempts to teach among a people who differ with him upon political, social and religious views, and who are not in sympathy with him as man and teacher. Such a teacher will find it hard to row against the tide.

"Our people need to be educated," is a feeling of nearly every teacher who is kicked from pillar to post. Granting that the people do need to be educated as much as, if not more than the children, the question arises in our mind, "How are they to be educated? And who is to instruct them? They won't attend school like their children do. How are they to be reached? We believe the best way to reach them is through the newspaper, the educator of the people. The public, generally, reads the newspapers, every word in it, even the advertisements. Catchy articles written on these subjects upon which the people should be enlightened, will, we believe, be read, and may bring about what the teacher so much desires and needs.

Besides the newspapers being the surest way to reach the public, it is the quickest way. We might sit here in our office and instruct fifty thousand people in the same time we could teach one, if we were going out on a lecture tour. The people do need to be educated up to the present methods, and can be. Start out over Collin county, and you will find men (fewer women, perhaps) who really doubt if the earth is round and turn on its axis.

There is no reflection on the intelligence of Collin county, for you can find the same elsewhere. Remember its only four-hundred years since it was actually demonstrated that the earth is spherical. Now you don't hope, in that short time, to reverse the established opinion of nearly six-thousand years, do? It takes time to educate. It takes lots of wind, and much patience.

If any teacher will write what what he wants taught to his patrons, we might give them a few lessons free of charge, and do it solely for the good of our holy profession. OLD FOGY.

FOR ALL WOMEN

NINE-TENTHS of all the pain and sickness from which women suffer is caused by weakness or derangement in the organs of menstruation. Nearly always when a woman is not well these organs are affected. But when they are strong and healthy a woman is very seldom sick.

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Is nature's provision for the regulation of the menstrual function. It cures all "female troubles." It is equally effective for the girl in her teens, the young wife with domestic and maternal cares, and the woman approaching the period known as the "Change of Life." They all need it. They are all benefitted by it.

For advice in cases requiring special directions, address, giving symptoms, the "Ladies' Advisory Department," The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

THOS. J. COOPER, Tupelo, Miss., says: "My sister suffered from very irregular and painful menstruation and doctors could not relieve her. Wine of Cardui entirely cured her and also helped my mother through the Change of Life."

Wed Early in Life.

In Austria a "man" and "woman" are supposed to be capable of contracting a home of their own from the age of 14. In Germany the men must be at least 18 years of age. In France the man must be 18 and the woman 15; in Belgium the same. In Spain the intended husband must have passed his 14th year and the woman her twelfth. In Hungary, for Roman Catholics, the man must be 14 years old and the woman 14; for Protestants, the man must be 18 and the woman 15. In Greece the man must have seen at least fourteen summers and the woman 12. In Portugal a boy of 14 is considered marriageable and a woman of 12. In Russia and Saxony they are a little more sensible, and a youth must refrain from entering into matrimony till he can count 18 years, and the woman till she can count 12. In Switzerland the men from the age of 14 and the woman from the age of 12 are allowed to marry. In Turkey any youth and maiden who can walk properly, and can understand the necessary religious service are allowed to be united for life.—Kansas City Star.

An unfortunate accident befell Chas. Neely near Vineland Friday morning. He was crossing a bridge with a load of wood when one of his horses stepped into a hole in the floor. In trying to extricate itself, the animal plunged off the side of the bridge, pulling its mate and loaded wagon with it falling a distance of 15 feet to the creek bed below. One of the horses was killed and the other badly injured. Mr. Neely had fortunately alighted from the wagon before it went over and was not hurt. Neighbors estimated his loss at $150, which is conservative, as the animal killed cost him $100 about a year ago. Curiously upon investigation Mr. Neely learned next day in McKinney that no statute was in existence by which he could recover damages for such a mishap, and consequently he must sustain the entire loss of that amount. A county ought to be liable for equitable damages when such accidents result from carelessness or negligence of its public highways.

The Georgia state legislature is so lonesome that the house has passed this resolution: "Whereas, the Sandersville Herald is the only newspaper in the state that has at any time spoken a word of praise of the present legislature; heretofore, be it resolved, that we, the members of the house, hereby tender our thanks to said newsper for said words of praise, notwithstanding they may have been spoken at the expense of truth."—Dallas News.

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THE DEMOCRAT.

THURSDAY, DEC. 16, 1897

O. C. THOMPSON, Editor and Proprietor.
WALTER B. WILSON, Local Ed'

THE Dallas News, noted for its enterprise in originating, and its facility in gathering the news from every quarter, published a history of the First Christian church of McKinney and a picture of the new building last Sunday. THE DEMOCRAT acknowledges the kindness of The News in permitting us to use the cut, which is found in this issue.

Letter from Senator Butler.

McKinney Tex., Dec. 11.—The following self-explanatory letter has just been received here which the News correspondent sends verbatim:

"United States Senate, Washington. D. C., Dec. 7.—Mr. F. C. Thompson, McKinney, Tex.: My dear sir—Your letter received. The proposition to nominate a presidential candidate in April of next year for the campaign of 1900 is to mind one of the craziest propesitions I have heard. To say that such a proceeding would be wise would be [illegible] had discovered a man for a candidate who was bigger and stronger that the populist platform. It would stop the campaign of education, shift the discussion of issues to a discussion of men. The enemies of the principals of the people's party could not be better pleased, for they can not face and disguise our principles without being worsted.

"Permit me to call attention to an editorial in the last issue of the Caucasian, which expresses my views on this matter a little more at length. With best wishes I am yours truly, MARION BUTLER."

In Memoriam.

Whereas; On the 2nd inst. it pleased an allwise Providence to send the death angel into our camp and to take from our midst our fellow Sovereign J. H. Akin,

Therefore, be it resolved by the members of Magnolia Camp No. 431 Woodmen of the World of McKinney, Texas: That in the death of Sovereign Akin our Club has suffered an irreparable loss, the community in which he lived has lost an upright Christian gentleman, his wife a kind husband and his children a loving father.

Be it further resolved, That these resolutions of condolence and respect be placed upon the records of our camp, and that a copy be sent to the county papers of McKinney for publication Done by order of the camp on Monday night Dec. 6th 1897.

J. C. SAUNDERS,
J. H. FAULKNER,
E. R. HALL,
Committee.

Real Estate Transfers

List of real estate transfers filed for record in the county clerk's office, McKinney, Texas, for the week ending Dec., 8 1897.

Chas Watson and wife to Jno C Coleman, 15a, W H Hunt sur, $300.

W L Roper and wife to L F Roper 41 1-4a, David Vanwinkle sur, $462.50.

Mrs. Mattie Webb to City of McKinney, lot in McKinney, $2.40.

Jas H Jenkins atty, to W H Burger, lot in McKinney cemetery $25.

Mary A and S B Allen to M H Snavely, 49 1-3a, F de la Pinaie sur, $740.

J M Rutledge and wife to W W Leake, 47a, Calvin Boles sur, $850.

C L McGowan to Trustees of Pike Lodge I O O F, No 407, lot in Pike, $22.50.

A A Walcott to G H Lucas, trustee, lot in Shorts addition to City of McKinney $700.

J G Osborn to J B Osborn, 20 90-100a, John Burk sur, $400.

W T Jordon and wife to G C Fleet, lot in Josephine, $150.

T A Phillips and wife to W T and G M Marrott, 40a, Calvin Boles sur, $1200.

Frank Kendall and wife to Lilian, Hazael, Clarence, Wilber and Ruth Kendall, int. in 265a, — sur, love and affection.

M S Metz and wife to J E Tallant, 36 42-100a, Hardin Wright sur, $942.50.

Peter Lynge and wife to J B Farrell, 41 57-100a, A M Hatfield sur, $2000.

W D Early to J H Wade 18 36-100a, Stephen Coombs sur, $734.40.

Marvin M Chandler and wife to Albert Chandler, 7 1-2a, H T Chenowith sur, $150.

J F Chandler and wife to P L Chandler, undivided one-half int. in 44 1-3a, James Wilson sur, $800.

W D Early to G R Hoge, 5 91-100a, Stephen Coombs sur, $395.50.

R J Westbrooks and wife to W C Smith et al int. in T Z and E A Smith estate, $50.

I A Humbard and wife to W H Rucker, 37 1-2a, Carter T Cleft sur $750.

C D Boyer and wife to W H Rucker, 40 95-100a, W D Thompson sur, $500.

B G Selman executer to G A Watson, deed of partition to estate of R W Watson dec'd.

J M Miller et al to H D Miller, 71 41-100a, J Mitchim sur; 12a, H Huhn sur, $885.94.

R R Parker and wife to Wm Perkins, 102 23-100a, M R Robert sur, $1200.

J W and M E Gentry to Z L Fuller, 40a, Asa Blankenship sur, $1250.

Jones Whitaker to Louis Fifer, 8a, Samuel Whitaker sur, duplicate.

M M Whisenant and wife to C C Gregory, 57 63-100a, C F M Goodering sur, $1728.90.

J R Brown and wife to J E Hunter, 30a, Carter T Cleft sur, $600.

J B Turner and wife to D D Garrett, 44a, J B Roundtree and J T McCullough sur, $1980.

W T Metcalf and wife to J C Murphress, 6a, —— sur, $125.

Calvin Poteet et al to J F Abel, 6a, M R Roberts sur, $150.

J F Abel and wife to W T Metcalf 6a, M R Roberts sur, $150.

J M and J F Abel to M J Crooms, 6a, M R Roberts sur, $120.

M J Cravens and wife to J H Warren, 6a, M R Roberts sur, $120.

M A and E Jacobs to J F Abel 6a, M R Roberts sur, $120.

J H Warren and wife to A Poteet, 6a, M R Roberts sur, $120.

F M Gilbrough to J B Palmer lot in Wylie, $200.

G W Horner and wife to W D Hoard and R M Lively, 168 17-100a, H P Horton sur, $2062.50.

Hoard and Lively to G W Horner, 168 17-100a, H P Harton sur, $2070.

Barney Tree to G W Horner 165 17-100a, H P Harton, $1400.

Isaac Tree and wife to G W Horner, 3a, H P Horton sur, $5.00.

G W Horner and wife to J M Ingram, 165 17-100a, H P Horton sur, $1689.75.

Isaac Tree and wife to Barney Tree, 165 17-100a, H P Horton sur, $1321.25.

Dr S C Tisdale and wife to W J Robinson, 66 1-3a, D Havens sur, $1300.

W E Bryant and wife to Dr. S C Tisdale, 66 1-3a, D Havens sur, $1824.16.

J F and J D Arledge to S Arledge, exchange of lands.

G E Arledge to S Arledge, exchange of lands.

W G Horn and wife to M L Williams and R J Williams, lot in Millwood, $25.00.

Mrs. L Collins et al to Ora L Daniels, 52a, G Stark sur, release to other lands.

We understand that W. H. Brown, a large dry goods merchant of Plano, made an assignment Tuesday morning naming J. W. Straus, trustee. The following are preferred creditors:—

Class A.	
McComick & Spence	$125 00
Sanger Bros.	4937 85
Mrs. E. E. Tamplin	38.30
E. C. Brown	300 65
" "	150.00
Mrs. Geo. S. Brown	2550.00
Class B.	
Rouse, Hempstone & Co.,	324.84
Treacy, Morris Co.	351.50
Howell Bros., shoe Co.	163.45
Isaac Fallers Sons Co.	572.25
Total	9513.84

State Swine Breeders.

Following is the program of the meeting of the Texas State Swine Breeders Association to be held at Dallas, beginning on the second Tuesday in Feb. 1898. After the welcoming address by the mayor of Dallas and a response by the president, and preliminary organization, the following program will be taken up at 2 p. m. and the subject discussed under their respective heads. The subjects will be called in order and discussed until the program is exhausted, after which other subjects will probably come up for consideration. For these reasons no sharp dates will be fixed for each subject, as is frequently done and seldom adhered to:

"The Swine Industry in Texas—How Best Advanced." W. R. Cavitt.

"The Proper Care of the Hog Pen;" C. W. Thomas.

"Does Putting Breeding Stock in Show Condition Impair Their Usefulness as Breeders?" H. E. Singleton.

"Reducing Hogs from Show to Breeding Condition." W. H. Pierce.

"The proper Condition of the Brood Sow and How Obtained." Tom Frazier.

"How Are the Best Results Obtained in Feeding Milk to Pigs?" W. C. Lebanon.

"By Which Method is the Most Profit Made from Feeding Hogs: By Forcing them from Birth With Grain as the Principal Food, or by Grazing, Using less Grain [illegible] Later?" T. C. Slaughter.

"What to Plan for a Succession for Grazing and Forage Throughout the Year. B. F. Rogers.

"The Thoroughbred vs. the Crossbred Hog as a Pork." C. B. Morris.

"Selection and Care of the Boar," M. Lothrop.

"Hogs in Connection With Fruit—Is it Profitable?" C. Faulkner.

"Swine Diseases and Their Prevention." J. E. McGuire.

Any subject that would be of interest and profit to the breeders and the industry they represent.

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"I was afflicted with blood poison. I concluded to try Hood's Sarsaparilla, and after taking three bottles the symptoms of blood poisoning disappeared. I believe Hood's Sarsaparilla to be the best medicine on the market." EUGENE P. A. [illegible], Fairbank, Arizona.

"I was afflicted with dyspepsia. I could [illegible] me until I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. I have taken [illegible] cured." JOHN [illegible]

TWO LETTERS,

WHICH EXPLAIN THEMSELVES.

TWO LETTERS which means hundreds of Bargains for the McKinney people—two letters which bring joyous news to all our patrons—two letters which mean many interesting things in which they may invest their cash in shopping for the holidays—two letters which mean many days of cheap selling at our store. . . . Letter No. 1 means Clothing, Dry Goods, Hats, Furnishing Goods, etc., at reduced figures. . . . Letter No. 2 means a big Shoe trade for our Shoe Department during the next few weeks.

LETTER NO. 1.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 1, 1897.

C. L. Mistrot, McKinney, Texas:

Dear Sir—This is to inform you that we have made extensive purchases from the sale of Bradford, Thomas & Co. of this city. We have made several shipments to Galveston, Houston, Dallas and McKinney. Trust you will find these goods regular trade winners, as we got 42 per cent off all around.

The sale was a spot cash transaction and we were the largest buyers.

C. L., I never have bought a nicer lot of goods, all elegant and first-class.

Trust you will have good results on these, as they will surely be quick sellers. I could have wholesaled the entire lot one hour after the sale at 20 per cent more than I paid.

Your friend, BOB KEY.

Two Letters Which Mean Hundreds of Articles for Little Money.

We wish to say to our patrons that this sale is advertised or the next two weeks—as long as any portion of these two stocks remain in stock they will be sold at the prices advertised.

LETTER NO. 2.

Office Anderson & Ellis Shoe Co.,
Cincinnati, Nov. 20, '79.

C. L. Mistrot, McKinney, Texas:

Dear Sir—We beg to inform you that our drummers' line of samples are all in. We have 5595 pairs of shoes altogether as follows: 1275 pairs ladies' shoes, sizes 3 to 6, in button and lace; 1620 pairs misses and children's shoes, all sizes; 300 pairs men's cheap shoes; 1106 pairs men's fine shoes; 922 pairs ladies' and gents' slippers; 372 pairs men's boots. These goods are all in perfect order, correctly mated; they have been used by our drummers the past summer and this fall season. We warrant them as we say, in perfect order and much higher grade goods than regular stock shoes. We offer you these goods at 50 per cent discount for cash. Wire or write us at once if you desire them. ANDERSON & ELLIS SHOE CO.

Shoe Department.

Anderson & Ellis is one of the largest shoe firms of Memphis. They number among their patrons merchants all over Texas. Their goods are worn by many people and they know the reputation of these goods for Durability and Wear. We got 50 per cent off for their line of Samples.

Men's Fine Shoes in lace and congress, Anderson & Ellis' wholesale price $2.00; our price $1.50

Another lot Men's Fine Shoes, coin toe, pointed toe, French toe, Anderson & Ellis, price $2.00; our price $1.50

Another lot Men's Fine Shoes, Anderson & Ellis' price $1.25 our price $1.00

Another lot Men's Tan Shoes, Anderson & Ellis' 3.00 grade; our price $1.75

This lot, 150 prs., Men's Fine Shoes; some are kangaroo, some satin calf, all are Anderson & Ellis' 2.50 and 3.00 grades $1.75

This lot Men's Fine Custom-made Shoes, tans and blacks, 5.00 grade $2.98

1 lot Ladies' Kid Button Shoes, 2 to 3 prs. of a kind; Anderson & Ellis' price $1.00; our price.... 75c

1 Lot Ladies' Kid Button Shoes, 2.00 grade $1.50

1 Lot Ladies' Glove Button Shoes Anderson's 1.00 grade 55c

1 Lot Ladies, Fine Shoes, 125 prs assorted choice here $1.98

Here is one—325 pairs Shoes assorted in one pile: not a pair but what is worth 1.50 and some as high as 3.00; choice here $1.00

Another one—225 pairs Misses' and Children's Shoes .50 per cent off

Not a Sale for One Day, But as Long as The Goods Last.

Hat Department.

Bradford & Thomas prices discounted one-half on the entire line.

150 doz. Men's Fine Fur Hats, black and colors, Fedora shapes, smaller shapes, wider shapes, Bradford & Thomas 2.00 grades, choice here $1.00

120doz. Men's Fine Fur Hats, leading makes, Bredford & Thomas 3.00 grades at $1.50

25doz. Men's and Boys' Caps, Bradford & Thomas 50c grades .25c

10doz. Men's Wool Caps, 75c grades 38c

Dress Goods Department.

5Pcs, all wool Eiderdows, pink, blue and white, Boston 50c grades choice 30c

15pcs. assorted brocaded Dress goods, 36in wide, Boston 25c grade, choice 18c

10pcs. woolen Dress Fabrics, 5 different styles, 10c grades..... 5c

6pcs. all wool Cashmeres, Boston 75c grades 38c

10pcs. all wool Dress Fabrics, 10 different styles, 1.00 grade..... 58c

300yds. Domet Flannels, Boston price 9c; price cut in half.. ....4 1-2

25 bolts assorted prints.....3 1-2

25 bolts standard prints 4c

Blankets and Comforts.

1 case 10-4 Heavy White Wool California Blankets, Bradford, Thomas & Co.'s price 4.00. Take them at $2.50

1 case gray fleeced Blankets' Bradford, Thomas & Co.'s price was 1.00 pair. They go at, per single blanket 25c

1 case White Blankets, Bradford & Thomas' price was 1.00 pair. They go at 29c

1 case heavy Gray Wool Blankets Bradford's price 2.50. Marked here $1.69

1 case California finished Gray Blankets, Bradford's price 3.00. We sell them at $2.25

1 bale Heavy Comforts, Bradford price $1.50. Our price. $1.00

1 bale comforts, Bradford & Thomas' price 2.00 Our price $1.39

1 bale comforts Bradford's price 1.00. Take them at.. ..... 75c

1 bale comforts, Bradford sold them at 75c. Our price 29c

What We Sell for 25 Cents

Ladies' Fast Black Hose, 10c kind, 4 pairs 25c

Ladies' Fast Black Hose, 7c kind, 5 pairs. 25c

Ladies' Fast Black Seamless Hose, 12 1-2c kind, 3 pairs 25c

Ladies' Wool Crochet Shawls 50c kinds 25c

Children's Derby Ribed Union Suits, 50c kind 25c

Gents' Fine Silk Teck Scarfs, 25c kinds, 2 for. 25c

Gents' and Boys' Fine Wool Caps 25c

Gents' Fast Black and Brown Hose, 3 pairs for.. ..... 25c

Gents' Gray and White Knit Fleeced Undershirts and Drawers, value 50c each, this week.. ..... 25c

10-4 White and Gray Single Blankets, fancy borders, 50c kinds, each 25c

Silk Dress Trimmings, value 10c yard, 10 yards for 95c

White Commercial Envelopes, this week, 10 packs for 25c

Fancy figured prints 10 yds 25c

8 Men's Fancy Bordered Handkerchiefs 25c

Men's White Handkerchiefs, 8c kind 5 for 35c

Men's Wool Sox, 20c kind, 2 pair for 25c

Children's wool Hose, 20c, kind 2 pairs for 25c

Ladies Wraps,

Bradford & Thomas' prices cut in two.

We offer the entire line at one-half plain figure marks.

100 Ladies' Fine Woolen Jackets, regulation sleeves, heavy flannel goods, Bradford & Thomas 2.00 grades, sale price $1.00

160 Ladies' Fur-Trimmed Black Capes, plain figure mark 2.75, sale price $1.37

150 Ladies Fine Beaver Capes, elegantly trimmed, five different styles, plain figure mark 7.00, sale price, $3.50.

57 Ladies' 16.00 Capes, one-half of plain figure mark, $5.00.

36 Ladies 12.00 Wraps, five different styles, choice here, $6.00

Ladies Wool Skirts,

I lot Ladies' Dark Check Skirts, plaid colors, plain figure mark 3.00, sale price, $1.50.

62 Ladies' Black Wool Skirts, plain figure mark 3.00, sale price $1.50.

63 Ladies' Blue Wool Flannel Skirts, plain figure mark 1.50, sale price, 75c.

36 Ladies' Black Cloth Skirts. plain figure mark, 3.50, sale price, $1.75.

Yard wide SILESIAS and other Linings, slightly imperfect, at 2½c

Gloves.

Ladies' and Children's Fine All-Wool Mittens, Bradford's price 25c; our price, 15c.

5 doz. Men's Fine Mocha Dress Gloves, Bradford's price 1.00, our price, 75c.

5 doz. Dress Glove, small size 25c

5 doz. Men's Heavy Lined Gloves, Bradford & Co's price 50c. We sell them at, 25c.

10 doz. Ladies' wool Jersey Gloves; Bradford's price 25c, our price, 18c.

10 doz. Misses' Gloves; Bradford price 15c, our price, 5c.

5 doz. Men's Fine Dress Buck Gloves; Bradford & Thomas price 1.25. Take them at, $1.00.

10 doz Men's Good Driving gloves Bradfords price 1.00 our price, 75c.

10 doz. Men's work Gloves, Bradford price 75c; marked, 50.

A Big Sale of Men's and Boys' Clothing.

Trimmings.

Black Wave Braids 3-8 inch wide, Colored Wave Braids, 1-4 inch wide Black and Colored Trimming Braids Boston price up to 15c a yard, 2 1-2c 2-inch wide Gimps, 1 1-2 inch silk trimmings, Passementeries; 2-inch wide wool Braids, wide Silk Glimps, fur edgings and other desirable trimmings, Boston price up to 35c a yard, 10c.

Suspenders.

1-2 of Bradford & Thomas' price.

20 doz. Men's Rubber Suspenders Bradford 20c goods, 10c.

70 doz. Men's Fine Suspenders, high grade buckles, Bradford 50c goods, 25c.

60 doz. Men's Suspenders, Bradford 20c grades, 10c.

72 doz. Men's High Grade Suspenders, Bradford & Thomas 25c grades, 15c.

Men's and Boys Clothing.

At 50 per cent off plain figures marked price.

200 Men's Fine Suits; Bradford's 7.50 grade, 3.75.

89 Men's Fine Suits; Bradford, Thomas & Co's 10.00 grades. Sale price at one-half marked price, $5.00.

126 Men's Fine Black French Twilled Suits; Bradford & Thomas' 17.00 grades, at half marked price, $8.50.

60 Dark Scotch Men's Suits, 15.00 grades, at half plain figure mark, $7.50.

88 Men's Fine Black Suits, satin silk-lined; marked in plain figures 25.00; sale price, $12.50.

92 Men's Fine Suits, assorted; plain figure mark 11.80, half price, $5.90.

62 Men's Woolen Suits, marked price in plain figures 5.00; sale price, $2.50.

100 pairs Men's Fine wool Pants; Bradford & Thomas' 3.00 grade sale price, $1.50.

60 pairs Men's Fine Tailor-made Pants; half marked price, or $2.50.

172 pairs Men's Good Wool $2.00 Pants; half price, $1.00.

67 pairs Men's good 1.50 Pants, half price, $1.00.

120 pairs Men's Fine Tailor-made Pants—five different styles—Bradford & Thomas fine grades, half marked price, $3.98.

120 Boys' Knee Suits; Bradford's price 1.00; sale price, 50c.

195 Boys 3-piece Suits; Bradford & Thomas 3.00, 4.00, 5.00 and 6.00 grades just at, half marked price.

293 Fine Knee Suits, half price, $1.50.

92 Fine Knee Suits, half price, $1.98.

10 doz. Boys Knee Pants; Bradford & Thomas 30c grades, 15c.

25 doz. Boys knee Pants, 50c grade, 25c.

20 doz. Boys Long Pants 1.50 grades, $1.00.

Millinery.

33 1-3 Per Cent Off.

Ladies' fine fur-trimmed Hats, ostrich feathers, 1.50 grade, $1.00.

Misses' fine fur-trimmed Hats, silk ribbed, 1.00 grade, 75c.

Ladies fine fur-trimmed Hats, ostrich feathers, neatly trimmed, the 2.00 grade, $1.50.

Ladies fine fur-trimmed Hats, ostrich feathers, 2.50 kind, $1.75.

Men's Underwear.

Bradford & Thomas' prices cut in two.

150 doz. Men's heavy fleeced Underwear, Bradford & Thomas, 1.00 grades, cut in two, 50c,

100 doz. Red Wool Underwear, Bradford & Thomas, 75c grades, 38c

50 doz. Men's fleeced gray Underwear, Bradford & Thomas, 1.00 grades, sale price, 50c,

150 doz. Men's Underwear, gray-fleeced, white-fleeced, Bradford & Thomas, 50c grade, price cut in two 25c.

Flannels.

5 pieces gray Flannels, 20c grades 15c.

5 pieces red Flannels, Bradford & Thomas 35c grades, cut in two 18c

5 pieces red Flannels, Bradford & Thomas 50c grades 25c

5 pieces white Flannels, Bradford's 50c grades 25c

4 pieces white Flannels, Bradford's 40c grades 20c

3 pieces blue Flannels, Boston 33c grades, 10c.

2 pieces heavy twill Flannels, 40c grades, 20c.

2 pieces heavy blue twill Flannels, Bradford's 38c grade 18c

Men's Top Shirts,

10 dozen men's Wool Knit Top Shirts, two for 75c.

10 dozen Men's Heavy Knit Over shirts, $1 grades, sale price 50c

15 dozen Men's fine Percale Shirts 12 different styles, full yoked, Boston price 75c, cut in two, two for 75c

15 dozen men's fine Percale Shirts 5 different styles, Boston price $1.25, cut in two, 58c.

25 dozen Lin'n Collars at..... 5c

25 dozen Linen Cuffs, three for 25c

Fifty APRON GINGHAMS at only 3½c

What 5 Cents Buys,

5 packs wire Pairpins 5c
1 spool Belding Silk, 10c kind, 5c
5 spools Belding Twist..... 5c
5 Ladies' Handkerchiefs..... 5c
A Lady's 10c Handkerchief.. 5c
5 papers good Needles..... 5c
2 spools Chadwick's Thread 5c
1 package assorted Hairpins 5c

Mackintoshes,

250 Men's Mackintoshes, sizes 36 to 44, very finet will, black and blue, Bradford & Thomas, $6 grades, $2.75

160 Men's Mackintoshes, woolen fabric, first-class goods, Bradford & Thomas, $8 grades, $4.00.

Handkerchiefs.

Bradford & Thomas' loss the people's gain.

Bradford & Thomas' prices cut in two.

150 dozen Ladies' fine Hankerchiefs, 20 diffcrent styles, very sheer and fine, some plain, some lace-edge. Bradford & Thomas, 10c to 25c grades, your choice, 5 for 25c

50 dozen Men's Fancy-Bordered Handkerchiefs, Bradford & Thomas, 5c grades, sale price 7 for 25c.

50 dozen Men's White Handkerchiefs, Bradford & Thomas, 25c grades, 2 for 25c.

50 dozen Men's White Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, Bradford and Thomas, 10c kinds, sale price 5 for 25c

150 dozen Ladies' and Misses' Hankerchiefs, 1c.

10 dozen Ladies' Silk-Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 10c.

15 dozen Ladies' Silk-Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 18c.

5 dozen Men's white and black Silk Handkerchiefs, 25c.

Two Letters Which Mean Lots of Cash for Our Patrons,

Hosiery Department.

Half of Bradford & Thomas' Prices.

150 dozen Ladies, Fast Black Hose: Bradford & Thomas' price 3 for 25c; sale price 6 pairs 25c.

150 dozen Ladies' Fast black Hose Bradford & Thomas' price 10c; our price, 4 pairs 25c.

120 dozen Ladies' Fast Black Hose, narrowed foot and ankle, warranted seamless, spliced heel and toe; Bradford & Thomas' 15c goods; 2 pairs 25c.

50 dozen Ladies' Super 40-guage Fast Black Extra Superfine, silk finish, Bradford price 50c; our price 3 pairs 50c.

25 Men's Black Hose, 25c goods, 2 pairs 25c,

25 dozen Men's Wool Sox; Bradford & Thomas' 25c grades; 2 pairs 25c

200 dozen Misses' Black Ribbed Hose; Bradford & Thomas' 10c grade; your choice here, 5 for 25c.

100 dozen Misses' Black Ribbed Hose; Bradford & Thomas' 12 1-2c grade; 3 pairs 25c.

Ladies' Underwear.

Bradford & Thomas' prices cut in two.

50 dozen Ladies' Ribbed Vests, Bradford & Thomas 25c grades, 18c

50 dozen Ladies' Ribbed Vests. Bradford & Co. 50c grades, 25c.

20 dozen Ladies' Union Suits, Bradford & Thomas' $1 grade, our price, 50c.

15 dozen Misses Union Suits, Bradford & Thomas' 75c grades, 38c

C. L. MISTROT,

The Cash Merchant,

M'KINNEY, o o o o o o a o TEXAS.

Grant and Green.

As I noticed an article in your recent issue concerning myself and others in regard to the position we take of the two above named gentlemen: First The Democrat was right as I expressed, I have no fight to make, I thought the fight was over when McKinley was nominated and elected, and as to who should control the patronage in the state. I think that congress should do that with the recommendation of the highest officer in the state, if Green now holds a higher office than Grant then I think he ought to make the recommendations, but if Grant holds the highest then he should make them. Again, it seems to me that the great confusion is not on Green and Grant but McKinley, Reed and Allison.

Now I notice that the original McKinley men are for Grant, and the Reid men are for Green, and as Cuney is saying nothing the Allison men are thinking as he next thought for Reid.

Now as the Reid men and Allison men got left in the St. Louis convention they ought to consider they are left now, and wait a better chance. To the victors belong the spoil.

Grant outgeneraled Green and Cuney at the St. Louis convention, and I think should have the support of the administration.

I am for McKinley and not Grant or Green any farther than I think they are both good republicans. Did you read McKinley's speech before the marquette club at Chicago Nov. 25th., 1895?

That's why I am for McKinley.

W. M. EVERETT.
Sec'y. of Ex-Com. of Republicans 5th Congressional Dist. State of Texas.

Diphtheria Cure.

The Scientific American gives this receipt, which every family ought to preserve:

"At the first indication of diphtheria in the throat of a child make the room close, then take a tin cup and pour into it a quantity of tar and turpentine—equal parts. Then hold the cup over a fire so as to fill the room with the fumes. The little fellow, inhaling the fumes, will cough up and spit out all the membraneous matter, and the diphtheria will pass out. The fumes of the tar and turpentine loosen the matter in the throat and thus afford the relief that has baffled the skill of physicians."

Senator William E. Mason and Congressman William Lorimer will introduce The Chicago Record's postal savings bank bill in the senate and the house of representatives, respectfully. Senator Mason is a member of the committe on postoffices and post-roads, while Congressman Lorimer is a member of the same committe of the house of representatives. It is the intention of these members of congress to introduce the bill at the earliest possible opportunity and, as Senator Mason says, to have postal savings bank law on the statutes before the end of the session.

Both Senator Mason and Mr. Lorimer are believers in postal savings banks, as are the majority of the Illinois delegation. Postal savings banks are being discussed widely by the members of congress, and it is expected that there will be several measures introduced in both the house and the senate. The western members especially are supporting the idea, and, while some of the eastern men are opposing it, the measure has many friends in that section. One hears almost as much talk about the postal savings bank legislation in the corridors of the hotels and in the places where the members congregate as he does about the currency, Cuba, Hawaii and civil-service reform.—Chicago Record

Innumerable articles and lines of ware at J. P. Crouch & Co.'s. Anything from a complete housekeeping outfit to tiniest toys can be found in their big three story house.

Farmers, take your produce to Goose tree & Houston for highest prices. They will also sell you the cheapest groceries.

WHAT Dr. A. E. SALTER SAYS:

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Gents:—From my personal knowledge, gained in observing the effect of your Shiloh's Cure in cases of advanced consumption, I am prepared to say is the most remarkable Remedy that has ever been brought to my attention. It has certainly saved many from Consumption. Sold by Smith Bros.

The Texas & Pacific gives you choice of routes via Memphis, Shreveport or New Orleans.

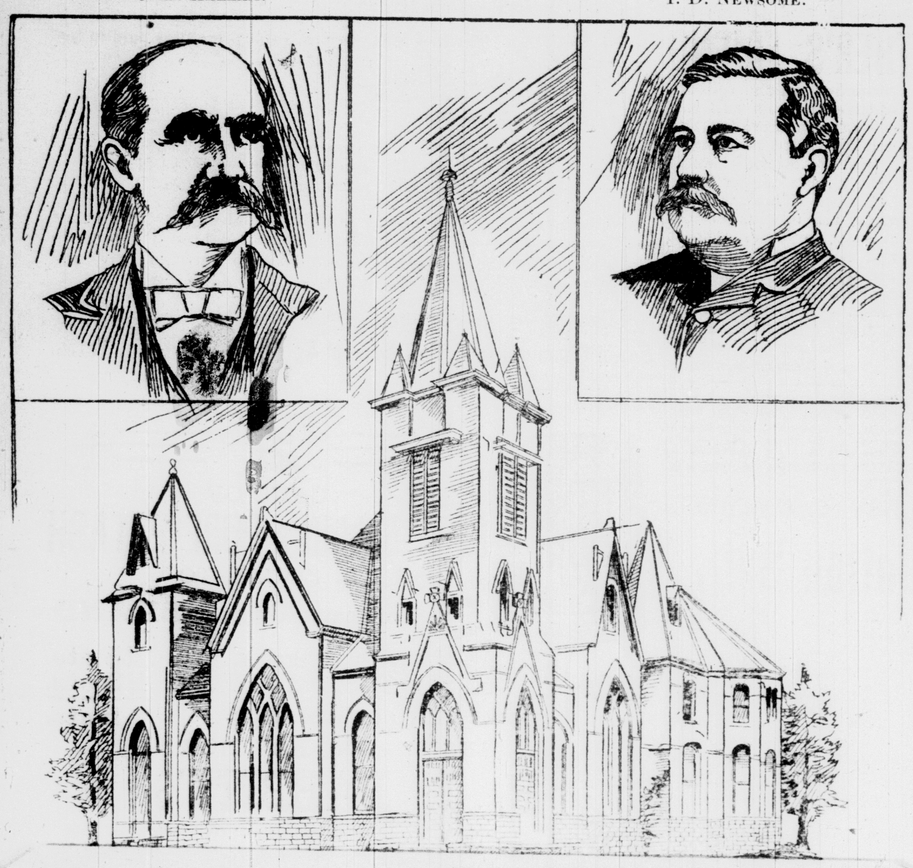
Phone your orders to Melton for your Xmas goods.

THE DEDICATION.

THE NEW CHRISTIAN CHURCH DEDICATED IN THE PRESENCE OF A LARGE AUDIENCE---A STIRRING SERMON---NOTES.

ELD. S. K. HALLAM.

I. D. NEWSOME.



THE DEMOCRAT SUPPLEMENT, THURSDAY; DECEMBER 16, 1897.

The Christian religion in the most realistic and dramatic manner. After an eloquent defense before the king he refused to recant to save his life.

The sermon throughout was replete with logic, earnestness, and eloquence which held the entire audience spell-bound beyond the usual time of service adjournment. It will long be remembered and the writer trusts that our community will again have the pleasure of an address by Homer T. Wilson.

At 2:45 p. m. a reunion and memorial service was held, at which the Lord's Supper was administered. Brief talks were then made by Elders Charles Carlton, of Bonham, R. C. Horn, of Vineland, J. B. Faulkner, of Wylie, D. W. Pritchett, of Greenville, and S. W. Crutcher, of Plano, all of whom have been pastors of the church at this place.

Each of the societies connected with the church were represented by members selected for that purpose. These representatives, in short addresses, placed before the audience the objects and workings of their respective societis. The following societies were represented:

Junior C. E. by Miss Goldie Warden.

Intermediate C. E. by Miss Clara Dowell.

Y. P. S. C. E. by O. M. Goddard.

Little Builders, by Miss Nell Fox.

Sunday School, by Plummer Harris.

Ladies' Aid, by Mrs. S. W. Crutcher.

C. W. B. M. by Mrs. J. G. Matthews.

Official Board of the church, by R. C. White.

A union meeting of all the young peoples' societies of the city was held at 5:30 p. m., led by Plummer Harris.

At the conclusion of the night sermon by Eld. Chas. Carlton, the following deacons were ordained: W. B. Newsome, J. L. White, W. G. Forsyth, W. T. Cox and W. W. McDowell. Mr. I. D. Newsome was to have been ordained as elder at the same time, but owing to illness could not be present. Elder S. K. Hallam

Awarded
Highest Honors—World's Fair,
DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER
MOST PERFECT MADE.
A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.
40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

Eld. Hallam announced that the new church and its property was free from debt which was a very pleasing feature.

Aquillia Bruce died of diphtheria, in the north part of town, Monday. She was a public school pupil of the first grade.

How to prevent Pneumonia.

At this time of the year a cold is very easily contracted, and if left to run its course without the aid of some reliable cough medicine it is liable to result in that dread disease, pneumonia. We know of no better remedy to cure a cough or cold than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. We have used it quite extensively and it has always given entire satisfaction.—Olagah, Ind. Ter. Chief. This is the only remedy that is known to be a certain preventive of pneumonia. Among the many thousands who have used it for colds and la grippe, we have never yet learned of a single case having resulted in pneumonia. Persons who have weak lungs or have reason to fear an attack of pneumonia, should keep the remedy at hand. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by City Drug Store.

Cox & Berry are getting a big share of McKinney's grocery trade.

Tetter, Salt-Rheum and Eczema.

The intense itching and smarting incident to these diseases is instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment. Many very bad cases have been permanently cured by it. It is equally efficient for itching piles and a favorite remedy for sore nipples chapped hands, chilblains, frost bites and chronic sore eyes. 25 cts. per box.

Lady's Condition Powders, are what a horse needs when in bad ... Tonic, blood purifier and ... They are not food but ... and the best in use to put a ... prime condition. Price 25 ... package

Crouch & Co. greet the public ... a prodigious stock from which ... presents of any kind can be ...

... be persuaded into buying liniment without reputation or merit—Chamberlain's Pain Balm costs no ... and its merits have been proven ... of many years. Such letters ... following, from L. G. Bagley, ... Cal., are constantly being ... "The best remedy for pain ever used is Chamberlain's Pain ... and I say so after having used it ... family for several years." It ... rheumatism, lame back, sprains ... swellings. For sale by City Drug ...

... line of Blanke & Bros. can ... Melton's for Xmas.

... Texas & Pacific run free chair ... daily to Memphis and St. Louis.

NO CURE—NO PAY.

... is the way all druggists sell ... CHILL TONIC TASTELESS CHILL TONIC ... Malaria, Chills and Fever. It ... Iron and Quinine in a tasteless ... Children love it. Adults ... to bitter, nauseating Tonics. ...

McDonald has returned from ... University, N. Y., to spend ... days at home.

Ohio, City of Toledo, } ss.
Lucas County }
... J. Cheney makes oath that he ... senior partner of the firm of F. ... Cheney & Co., doing business in the ... Toledo, county and state aforesaid, ... that said firm will pay the ... one hundred dollars for each ... every case of Catarrh that cannot ... cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh ...
Frank J. Cheney.
... to before me and subscribed in ... presence, this 6th day of December, ... A. D. 1886.
A. W. Gleason,
Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally ... acts directly on the blood and mucous ... surfaces of the system. Send for ... testimonials, free. F. J. Cheney & ... Co., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by ... druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills ... are the best.

... Chronic kicker is bad enough, but ... the mail scratcher is worse. Better ... own a mule than a hen. Hunt's ... Lightning will do up the worst case of Itch, ... Eczema, Ringworms, Itching Piles, Eczema ... and Tetter known. Price 50c.

... lot of good small mules for sale ... cheap.

... Catarrh Cured. A clear head and ... sweet breath secured with Shiloh's Catarrh ... Remedy; sold on a guarantee. ... Inhalector free. Sold by Smith ... Bros. 1

... Hunt is strictly up to date when it ... comes to holiday groceries.

... Hearing some friends continually ... praising Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera ... and Diarrhoea Remedy, Curtis ... Bros., of Anaheim, California, purchased ... a bottle of it for his own use ... and was as enthusiastic over its wonderful ... work as anyone can be. The 25 ... cent sizes for sale by City Drug ...

Mr. Cloyd of the Greenville postal ... is visiting his parents.

... Go and sample that "New ... Era", Syrup at Mate Barnett's.

Twenty Years Proof.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Liver Pills keep the bowels in natural motion and cleanse ... the whole system of all impurities. An ... absolute cure for sick headache, ... biliousness, sour stomach, constipation and kindred diseases. ...

"Don't do without them"

... Smith, ... Jamestown, Va. ... "I don't know how I could ... do without them. I have had ... chronic disease for over twenty ... years. Am now entirely cured. ... Dr. Pierce's Liver Pills

Notice.

The Sherman, Shreveport & Southern R. R. will sell excursion tickets Dec. 21 and 22 to all points in Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, North and South Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky, south of a line running through Central City, Glasgow and Somerset, Kentucky, at the rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets good for thirty days. The Sherman, Shreveport & Southern will run a special train from McKinney, leaving McKinney at 12.15 A. M. Dec. 21: arriving at Memphis 7:10 P. M. Dec. 21: making close connection at Memphis with all trains for the north, east and south; reaching Nashville from Memphis at 8 A. M. Dec. 22; making good connection with L. & N. north and south; N. C. & St. L. for Lebanon and Chattanooga; reaching Chattanooga via the Memphis and Charleston at 7:30 a. m.; making close connection at Chattanooga with the Queen and Crescent for the north, the Southern R. R. for Knoxville, Morristown and other East Tennessee points, and with the Southern R. R. for Atlanta, Georgia, and other intermediate points.

See W. N. Collier for rates, tickets, and any other desired information. This is the quickest time and best service ever given from McKinney through the Memphis Gateway.

50 doses for 50 cents. Is the same size of other $1. bottles, and money refunded if Dr. Simmons' Cough Syrup fails to give entire satisfaction. Try it costs nothing if not satisfied.

Stop that Cough! Take warning. It may lead to Consumption. A 25c. bottle of Shiloh's Cure may save your life. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

Fresh Celery and Cranberries at Melton's for Xmas.

Shiloh's Consumption Cure cures where others fail. It is the leading Cough Cure, and no home should be without it. Pleasant to take and goes right to the spot. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

Punctual delivery to any part of the city of all groceries bought at Goostree & Houston.

Karl's Clover Root Tea, for Constipation it's the Best and if after using it you don't say so, return the package and get your money. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

Why not buy your next groceries of Goostree & Houston.

Valuable to Women.

Especially valuable to women is Browns' Iron Bitters. Backache vanishes, headache disappears, strength takes the place of weakness, and the glow of health comes to the pallid cheek when this wonderful remedy is taken. For sickly children or overworked men it has no equal. No home should be without Browns' Iron Bitters. For sale by all dealers.

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Cut Glass,
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Bisque,
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Gold Spectacles,
Silver Novelties,
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At the same old stand in McKinney.

Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Etc. Etc.

Articles too numerous to mention must be CLOSED OUT IN 30 DAYS. All goods on sale at prices that make the makers shiver. Everything must go in that period

Regardless of Prices

Qualities unequaled in McKinney. Now is your opportunity to make your winter purchases

Greenberry Adams

TRUSTEE.

M. K. & T. Local Holiday Excusions.

For the Christmas and New Year Holidays the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway will sell round trip tickets between all points on its line at rate of one and one third fares for the round trip. Tickets on sale December 24th, 25th and 31st., 1897, and January 1st., 1898. Good for return until January 3rd., 1898.

Yours truly,
W. G. CRUSH,
G. P. & T. A.

"Excursion Rates to your old home in the South-East. H. & T. C. Agents will sell Round Trip Tickets December 21st and 22nd good 30 days at One Fare to points in Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Georgia, Kentucky, Florida, North and South Carolina."

C. W. Bein, Traffic Mgr. M. L. Robbins, G. P. & T. A.

The Estey piano is taking the lead with sweet clear tone upon the same basis that placed the Estey organ ahead. First class material and superior workmanship. J. T. Couch.

Just received, one car load of Fresh Portland Cement; also fire clay brick, sand, lime, etc. For sale cheap at Wilcox & Sons' Lumber Yard.

Announcement.

The Nickle Store hereby notifies all that the holidays are coming, and Santa's holding out place in McKinney will be on its counters. Call and pay your respects to him early.

See Goostree & Houston for wholesale and retail groceries.

Old Santa has made his first assignment of Christmas toys and the Nickle Store has received it. Call and see the pretty articles.

Scholarship for Sale

A scholarship for sale in one of the best business colleges of the state. Call at THE DEMOCRAT

To our country friends: We carry a large, complete and new stock of groceries all the time and invite you to inspect the same. We want your trade. —Goostree & Houston.

Telephone Service.

Saves Your Time. Brings new Customers, Retains Old Ones, and generally lubricates the wheels of business. Over 9000 Telephones in Texas. Use the Long Distance Telephone to all points connected with the Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone Company's extensive system.

The city trade will remember that it can find the freshest and best qualities of anything in the way of groceries at Goostree & Houston's.

Does your house need painting? Go to Wilcox & Sons' Lumber Yard for Vane Calvert Palace Car Colors, the best paint "on earth;" also Collier's White Lead, Pure Linseed oil, Brushes, Window glass, etc.

Stock Pasture To Rent.

I am prepared to furnish good stock pasture, 3 miles north of McKinney, on McKinney and Melissa road. Rates reasonable.

I. E. BATES.

McKinney Nurseries

Filled more orders during the month of November, 1897, than during any three months since being established in 1874.

Our fine new fruits this season produced 500 bushel of fruit per acre, which we sold at one and two dollars per bushel.

We have the trees and we have the varieties. And you can have the fruit, wealth and luxury simply by planting and growing them.

The Chinese Pears and Peaches and the Japanese Plums and Persimmons will enrich every person who plants and cultivates them liberally.

See our catalogue, sent free, and send us your orders.

Address
E. W. KIRKPATRICK,
McKinney, Tex.

The biggest store in McKinney is J. P. Crouch & Co.'s and it is filled to overflowing with goods.

Fine Blanke candies at Cox & Berry's

Spend your nickel at the Nickel Store.

Cox & Berry can furnish you with holiday groceries, candies, etc. See them before you buy.

Immense stock of groceries for selections at Goostree & Houstons.

Dr. Rutlege and Charlie Swaim were here from Melissa Sunday.

The Texas & Pacific will run through coaches to the southeastern states Dec. 21 and 22.

Rare old Peach and Brandies, Wines Gin and Kentucky Whiskies at City Drug Store.

The old reliable second hand store will pay cash for all kinds of second hand goods, 2d door east of postoffice.

Dr. J. P. Webster has gone to San Antonio to spend Christmas with his family.

Don't be misled. The only place you can buy the Genuine Canada Rye is of R. E. Bristol, sole agent, City Drug Store.

The H. & T. C will, in addition to already published list of dates for sale of Excursion Tickets east of Mississippi in Southeast, will sell these tickets on Dec. 21, 22 and 23, and have also added the following points to be good for 30 days at one fare for the round trip, New Orleans, Memphis, Cairo, Kansas City, Hannibal and St. Louis.

S. Quesenbury, Agt.

J. T. Nale will fit you out for housekeeping cheaper than any other house in North Texas. One door east of the post office.

Old Tennessee Apple Brandy and Maryland Peach, at City Drug Store.

A bale of cotton belonging to J. P. Turner of Rockhill caught fire at the wharf Monday morning. A serious conflagration was narrowly averted with little or no damage.

No ferry transfer at Memphis via the Texas & Pacific—double daily trains each way, thus preventing delay on your return trip.

Melton wants 100 dozen eggs at once.

Sole agency for I. W. Harper Canada Rye, Chase's Barley Malt, Paul Jones Rye, Delmonico and full stock of Best Brands, Handmade sour mash from Kentucky, at City Drug Store.

Misses Grace Hendrix and Myrtle Wylie of Farmersville attended the dedicatory services here Sunday.

The Texas & Pacific are now running the finest chair cars in the south, seats free.

Great Bargains in Beautiful Christmas China goods at J. T. Nale's.

Jesse Atkinson is out again, after a lengthy illness.

Fragrant are the flowers, blue is the sky
Sweet is the note of the lark's [morning cry.
Delicious is the Bouquet of Canada Rye of R. E. Bristol, sole agent City Drug Store.

Everything at greatly reduced prices at Melton's during the Holidays

Miss Annie Lou Shirley of Anna was here Sunday.

Buy your holiday whiskies where you get the best, at City Drug Store.

No delay on your return trip from the southeast if you go via the Texas & Pacific.

Mrs. Porter Harding of Allen visited Mrs. John C. Cooke this week.

Christmas Holiday Excursions to The South East.

On December 21st, and 22nd, the M. K. & T. R. R. will sell round trip tickets to all points in the southeast at a rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets good for return 30 days from date sale. Special trains with through coaches will be run from Texas points to the old states. Routes as desired. For rates, time of trains and further particulars, address any M. K. & T. ticket agent, or W. G. Crush, General Passenger & Ticket Agent, Dallas, Tex.

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Cottoline, Unbolted Meal,
Tomato Catsup in bulk,
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Open Kettle Sugar,
Open Kettle Molasses, Apples,
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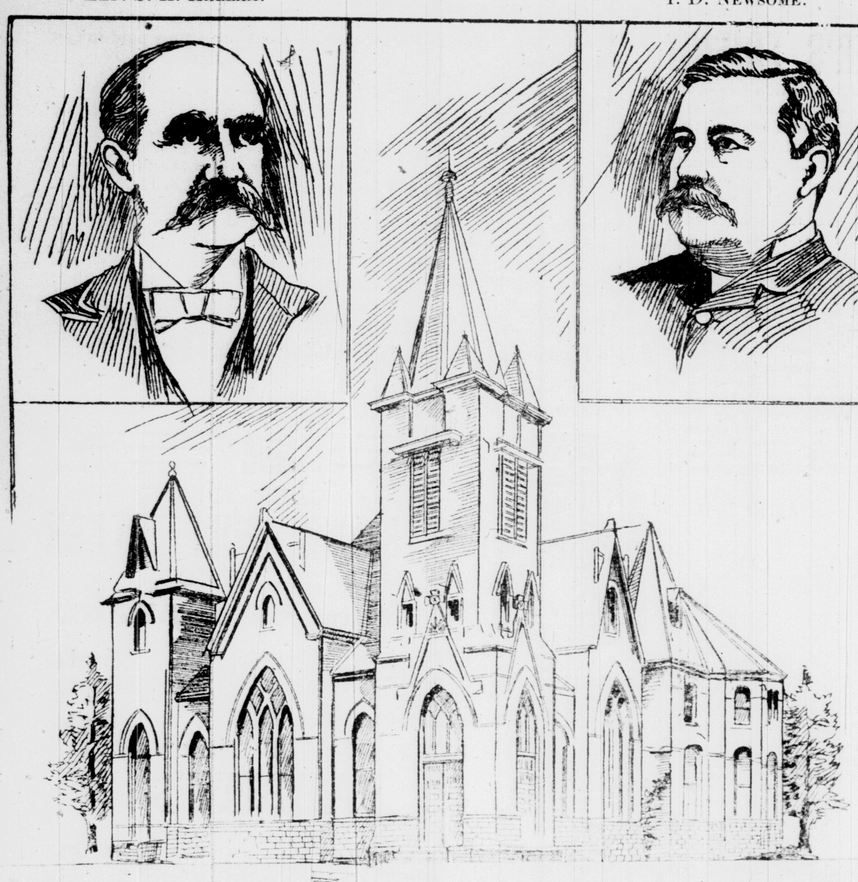

the Christian religion in the most realistic and dramatic manner. After an eloquent defense before the king he refused to recant to save his life.

The sermon throughout was replete with logic, earnestness, and eloquence which held the entire audience spell-bound beyond the usual time of service adjournment. It will long be remembered and the writer trusts that our community will again have the pleasure of an address by Homer T. Wilson.

At 2:45 p. m. a reunion and memorial service was held, at which the Lord's Supper was administered. Brief talks were then made by Elders Charles Carlton, of Bonham, R. C. Horn, of Vineland, J. B. Faulkner, of Wylie, D. W. Pritchett, of Greenville, and S. W. Crutcher, of Plano, all of whom have been pastors of the church at this place.

Each of the societies connected with the church were represented by members selected for that purpose. These representatives, in short addresses, placed before the audience the objects and workings of their respective societis. The following societies were represented:

Junior C. E. by Miss Goldie Warden.

Intermediate C. E. by Miss Clara Dowell.

Y. P. S. C. E. by O. M. Goddard.

Little Builders, by Miss Nell Fox.

Sunday School, by Plummer Harris.

Ladies' Aid, by Mrs. S. W. Crutcher.

C. W. B. M. by Mrs. J. G. Matthews.

Official Board of the church, by R. C. White.

A union meeting of all the young peoples' societies of the city was held at 5:30 p. m., led by Plummer Harris.

At the conclusion of the night sermon by Eld. Chas. Carlton, the following deacons were ordained: W. B. Newsome, J. L. White, W. G. Forsyth, W. T. Cox and W. W. McDowell. Mr. I. D. Newsome was to have been ordained as elder at the same time, but owing to illness could not be

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A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.

40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

Eld. Hallam annouuced that the new church and its property was free from debt which was a very pleasing feature.

Aquillia Bruce died of diphtheria, in the north part of town, Monday. She was a public school pupil of the first grade.

How to prevent Pneumonia.

At this time of the year a cold is very easily contracted, and if left to run its course without the aid of some reliable cough medicine it is liable to result in that dread disease, pneumonia. We know of no better remedy to cure a cough or cold than Chamberlain s Cough Remedy. We have used it quite extensively and it has always given entire satisfaction.—Olagah, Ind. Ter. Chief. This is the only remedy that is known to be a certain preventive of pneumonia. Among the many thousands who have used it for colds and la grippe, we have never yet learned of a single case having resulted in pneumonia. Persons who have weak lungs or have reason to fear an attack of pneumonia, should keep the remedy at hand. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by City Drug Store.

Cox & Berry are getting a big share of McKinney's grocery trade.

Tetter, Salt-Rheum and Eczema.

The intense itching and smarting incident to these diseases is instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment. Many very bad cases have been permanently cured by it. It is equally efficient for itching piles and a favorite remedy for sore nipples chapped hands, chilblains, frost bites and chronic sore eyes. 25 cts. per box.

Dr. Cady's Condition Powders, are what a horse needs when in bad ... Tonic, blood purifier and ... They are not food but and the best in use to put a prime condition. Price 25 package

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...e persuaded into buying lini... thout reputation or merit—lain's Pain Balm costs no ...f its merits have been proven ...of many years. Such letters ...llowing, from L. G. Bagley, ..., Cal., are constantly being ... The best remedy for pain ...er used is Chamberlain's Pain ...d I say so after having used it ...mily for several years." It ...eumatism, lame back, sprains ...flings. For sale by City Drug

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...is the way all druggists sel... S TASTELESS CHILL TON... Malaria, Chills and Fever. It ...y Iron and Quinine in a taste... ...m. Children love it. Adults ...t to bitter, nauseating Tonics. ...c.

McDonald has returned from ... University, N. Y., to spend ... days at home.

...Ohio, City of Toledo, ... Lucas County } ss.
...k J. Cheney makes oath that he ...enior partner of the firm of F... ...ney & Co., doing business in the ...Toledo, county and state afore... ...id that said firm will pay the ... one hundred dollars for each ...ry case of Catarrh that cannot ...ed by the use of Hall's Catarrh ... Frank J. Cheney.
...to before me and subscribed in ...esence, this 6th day of December, ...1886.
A. W. Gleason, Notary Public.

...Catarrh Cure is taken internally ...ts directly on the blood and mu...rfaces of the system. Send for ...onials, free. F. J. Cheney & ...Toledo, Ohio. Sold by ...ists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills ... best.

...ronic kicker is bad enough, but ...nnal scratcher is worse. Better ...e a mule than a hen. Hunt's ...will do up the worst case of Itch, ... Ringworms, Itching Piles, Ec... known. Price 50c.

...an of good small mules for sale ...lton's.

...arrh Cured. A clear head and ...breath secured with Shiloh's Ca... Remedy; sold on a guarantee. ...injector free. Sold by Smith ... 1

...on is strictly up to date when it ... to holiday groceries.

...r hearing some friends continual...sing Chamberlain's Colic, Chol...d Diarrhoea Remedy, Curtis ... of Anaheim, California, pur... a bottle of it for his own use ...now as enthusiastic over its won... work as anyone can be. The 25 ... cent sizes for sale by City Drug

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See W. N. Collier for rates, tickets, and any other desired information. This is the quickest time and best service ever given from McKinney through the Memphis Gateway.

50 doses for 50 cents. Is the same size of other $1. bottles, and money refunded if Dr. Simmons' Cough Syrup fails to give entire satisfaction. Try it costs nothing if not saisfied.

Stop that Cough! Take warning. It may lead to Consumption. A 25c. bottle of Shiloh's Cure may save your life. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

Fresh Celery and Cranberries at Melton's for Xmas.

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Pocket Knives and Razors

Are appreciated by most any boy or young man. We carry some of the best lines that are guaranteed.

Fine Perfumery in Handsome Packages.

Handsome Cut Glass Bottles filled with delicate oders.

Hair and Cloth Brushes

The largest stock in town from 25c to $3.50 each

Half Dozen Fine Writing Tablets

With Envelopes to match.

Fancy Boxes of Soap

From 15 cents to 1.25 a box of three cakes.

Puffboxes, Hand Mirrors, Whistbrooms

A large stock to select from.

FANCY PERFUME ATOMIZERS from 75c to $3.

FACE POWDER from 10c to $1.00 per box.

GOLD SPECTACLES from 5.50 to $10.

LADIES & MENS POCKET BOOKS from 35c to 1.50.

CIGARS, CIGARS We handle more brands of ten and 12-2c Cigars than any other store in McKinney. By the box of fifty we can sell you good cigars at $2.00, 2.25, 2.75, 3.00 3.50, 5.00 and 6.50. In boxes of 100 can sell you $4.00, 4.50, 5.00, 6.50, 7.50, 8.50, 10.00 and 11.00.

KODACKS. If you want something that will afford your family and yourself a whole lot of pleasure buy one of our Kodacks. We have them in stock from $5.00 to $10. It does not require much practice to take good pictures. For anything to be found in a well assorted drug store call on us.

Smith Bros.

East Side Square.

FARMERSVILLE BUDGET.

Two Visitations Of Death—Prof. Kendall's Address—Esq. Self's Court.

Farmersville Dec. 15th '97.

The entertainment, given by the teachers last Friday night, was quite a success.

Our town was crowded with people last Saturday. Many of them from quite a distance were here trading with our merchants.

Mr and Mrs. Eugene Worden of Blue Ridge were visiting in Farmersville Sunday.

The address of Prof. Kendall of Honey Grove, at the school auditorium last Friday night, was well received and appreciated by the large crowd present.

Mrs. B. J. Bunkley and daughter, Miss Beulah, have returned to Farmersville, after an extended visit out west.

Prof. Trotter and lady of Caddo Mills were visiting in our city last Sunday, and attended services at the Baptist church.

Mrs. Gray, mother of Mrs. D. K. Allison and Eugene Gray, died suddenly at her home near Kaufman last Saturday. She had been here on a visit, and had only been at home a short time, when the dread messenger came. Her relatives here were telephoned late Saturday evening. This is a sudden terrible blow to them, and the entire community will sympathize with them in their sorrow.

Mrs. J. A. Spaugh, an estimable lady who lived near Midway school house, died Sunday. Her many friends regret the passing away of this noble woman. She leaves a husband and several children to mourn her loss. They have our deepest sympathy in the sad bereavement.

Dr. Boyd of Nevada was in the city last Sunday.

Mr. Bradford, a brother of W. K. Bradford of our city, is here this week.

Geo. Hardin was in McKinney Monday attending court.

M T Battle has recently made quite an improvement in his business house with a view of putting in a stock of buggies and wagons. Our town is constantly on the upward move.

Will Hazel is smiling as of yore—another son to bless him in old age.

Dr. Jas. Williams has a new boarder, he is a coming young man, and bids fair to keep things wide-awake.

J. B. Fugit was in Nevada last Tuesday.

JUSTICE COURT DOCKET.

The following is the assignment and disposition of Justice J. R. Self's docket of the December term of the justice court of Prect. No. 2. This does not include about twenty-five cases which have been compromised:

Bell & Jackson vs Charley Hambriel. Judgment for plainiiffs for $7.40.

Bell & Jackson vs T A Bailey, set for Dec. 30.

Burt, Welch & Yeary vs L W Sprinkle, judgment for plaintiffs for $28.70.

W A Bell vs L W Sprinkle, judgement for plaintiff for $74.50.

Woodbury Shoe Co vs T E Ball judgment for plaintiff for $144.

E P Bellington vs Mrs Mary Sirkel, judgment for plaintiff of $16.75.

E P Billington vs J T Billington, judgment for plaintiff for $13.50.

E P Billington vs J B Thompson, judgment for plaintiff for $8.50.

L R Riddle vs L Holt, set for Dec. 21.

C N Wardlow vs G V Langford and G W Mattick, Judgment for plaintiff for $69.70.

Imperial Mfg Co vs T E Ball, judgment for plaintiff for $102.75.

Robert Compton vs J M Bybee and J A Drigger, set for Dec. 21.

W D Allison Co vs D J Stewart judgment for plaintiff for $40.00.

First National Bank vs W P Bass et al, judgment for plaintff for $110.00

Andrew Mallory vs Ed Bellmyer, judgment for plaintiff for $8.-75.

T A Bailey vs C L Hambriel, set for Dec. 31.

In addtition to the above there are a number of garnishment suits in which the answers have not been filed.

ORIENT.

Next week we will print communications from Blue Ridge, Desert, Altoga, Rockhill and Princeton.

ALTO A ANTHEMS.

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Dec., 14th, '97.

Billie Wilson and family of Viney Grove community visited A. L. Hatler Sunday.

A good number of young people from Johnson attended the closing exercises of Prof. Leigh's singing school at Verona Sunday night.

Allen Mantooth and J. C. Dunn went to McKinney Monday for the purpose of purchasing material to fence the Altoga grave yard.

The prevailing winds of late have done some light damage among which our barber, Mr. Hays, had his barber shop blown off its block.

A singing school is being taught at this place by Prof. Jas. Stephenson.

Miss Emma Hollander of Johnson visited her parents in McKinney, Saturday and Sunday.

Joseph Rhea of Valdasta is visiting L. B. Collins.

Dr. Wright was in McKinney Monday.

The funeral of John K. Moreland was preached Sunday by Rev. W. H. Dunn. A large crowd present.

C. M. Rucker of Kingston, Hunt county, is here on business.

Prof. Dobbs attend the dedication of the Christian church at McKinney Sunday.

Dr. W. E. Rucker, who once resided here but now of Richardson, was among friends here last week.

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THE DEDICATION.

THE NEW CHRISTIAN CHURCH DEDICATED IN THE PRESENCE OF A LARGE AUDIENCE---A STIRRING SERMON---NOTES.

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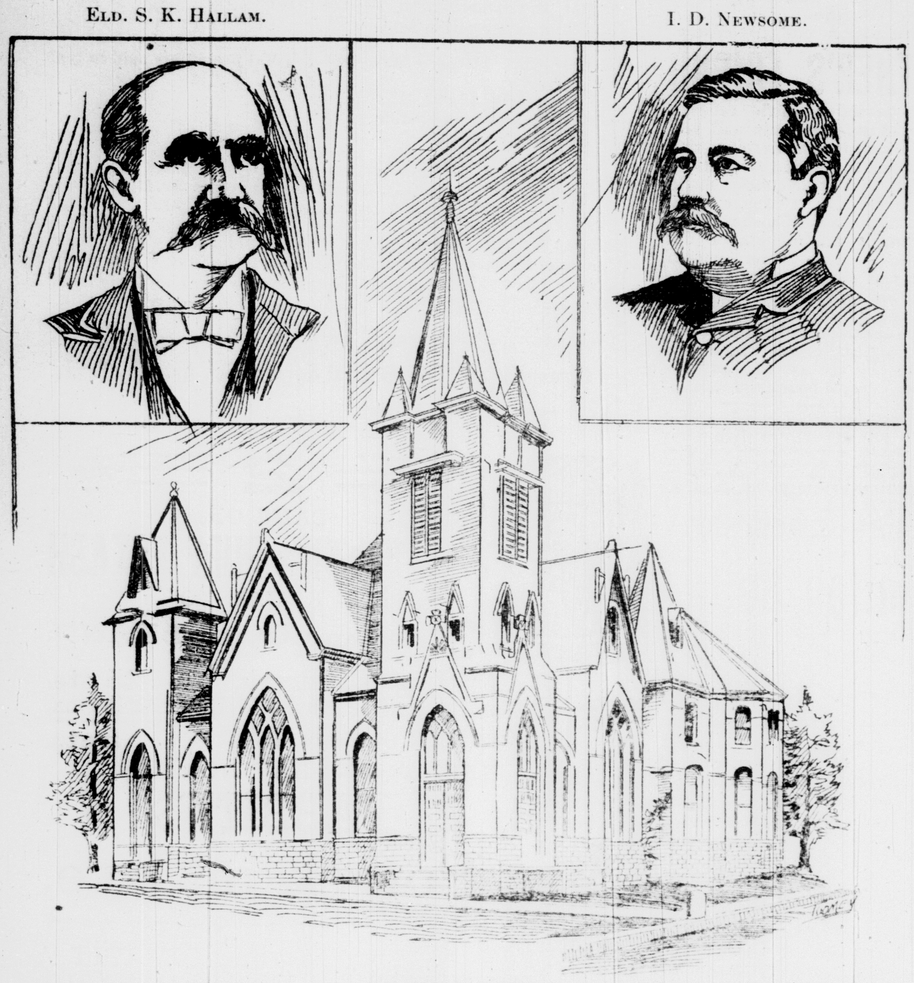

From The Dallas News.

THE NEW CHURCH.

[Ded cated to Mrs. I. D. Newsome who has been an invalid for thirty years and who inspired the movement which resulted in the new church structure.]

A mould of grandeur! Architecture's tasteful skill!
A house which worldly critics stand with awe admiring!
Music, whose wonderous cadence fill
The human mind with lofty thoughts aspiring!

And yet, oustretching all this mortal show,
There is a power whose light breaks through its holy sheen,
And shining, bids the heart it touches, glow
And spread the sacred works of our dear Savior's reign!

What beauteous mind this house of God reflects,
The one which gave the infant spark its birth,
Tho' bound by health which many a pleasure wrecks,
Could not have found a sweeter way to tell its worth!

Your deed to us a radiant light has been!
It pleaseth you to give this good work to the Lord.
So may we join in helping fellow men,
And keep vibrating, brave, this lovely chord.

THE DEMOCRAT printed a history of the Christian organization of McKinney in its issue of Aug. 5th, 1897 on the occasion of the corner stone laying, hence we will not reproduce it now.

The beautiful building which was dedicated last Sunday is a combination of the gothic and Romanesque styles of architecture. It is a heavy frame veneered with Mineral Wells stone to the water tables, and above that red pressed brick with cream brick and stone trimmings. The windows are of cathedral glass and are beautiful in design and coloring. The auditorium is 56 feet square with pulpit in the corner opposite the main entrance. Adjoining this is the Sunday school room, 32x56. The two are separated by solid oak doors hung on weights and pulleys. When these are raised the two form one large auditorium 56x88 feet, from any part of which one may see the speaker and hear him equally well. In the rear of the Sunday school room is that of the primary class, also separated by a door that may be raised, and above these two rooms are the parlors, kitchen, dining room, etc. An eight foot hall runs the entire length of the building, at the north end of which the pastor's study is located.

The inside finishings are all of oak and the pews of quarter sawed oak with gothic ends. Upon the pulpit platform is an open baptistry and over it a beautiful art glass window representing the baptism of Jesus by John in the river Jordan. To the right of the pulpit is the organ recess and choir platform. A magnificent vocallion occupies the recess. The "Little Builders," who began their work when they were children, but who are young ladies now, purchased with their earnings a fine piano for the parlors.

The building is heated with two hot air furnaces placed in the basement, and is lighted by electricity with a thirty-six light chandelier in the auditorium and a sufficient number of lights in other parts of the building.

Elder Eld. S. K. Hallam was [illegible] the fortunate one [illegible] the solicitation of a [illegible] new church building. I. D. Newsome and his two sons, W. B. and E. A. Newsome, submitted a proposition in March to the effect that they would build a $14,000 church on condition that the congregation raise a sufficient amount to lift incumbrance on lot, remodel the parsonage and to furnish the church when completed, including a pipe organ. A short while afterward it was announced that $8,000 had been raised in donations of various amounts ranging from $1 to $1,000, and that the church would be built. On the 5th of August the corner-stone was laid with imposing Masonic ceremonies, Judge W. K. Homan of Dallas preaching the sermon. On the 5th of December the congregation bade farewell to the old house, and leaving it with all its pleasant and hallowed memories, entered the magnificent new house with joy and rejoicing.

S. K. Hallam, the present pastor of the First Christian church, was born in Clinton, O., Jan. 30, 1845. His parents moved to Illinois in 1848. In 1856 he entered Eureka college where he graduated in the class of 1862. He was ordained to the ministry April 25, 1864, and started to California in a few days after which spent five years as teacher in Hesperian college, editor of the Pacific Gospel Herald, state evangelist and pastor at Santa Rosa, Cal. In 1866 he returned from California and served the churches at Pittsburg, Penn., and Blandinville, Farmer City, and Knoxville, Ill., in the order named.

In later years his work has been in the south, serving as pastor at Fayetteville, Ark., Sedalia, Mo., and Windsor, Mo. In 1888 he came to Texas, first serving the church at Belton and afterwards at Amarillo and El Paso. In June, 1896, he was called to the pastorate of the church at Greenville, which he resigned to accept the call to his present charge. During his ministry hundreds have been added to the church and baptized by him. His work has been largely of a pioneer chararter. One of the chief works of his ministry has been the paying off of church debts and remodeling old churches and building new ones.

I. D. Newsome, by whose liberality together with that of his sons, the building of of the new church was made possible, was born in Marion county, Mississippi, in 1832. Mr. Newsome was born in the country and reared among the meager advantages of an obscure country lad. His father died before his birth and his mother, too, succumbed in death leaving the infant son to the care of its paternal grandfather. A negro "mammy" devotedly nursed him as her own offspring. At the age of 19 he married Miss Lucy Willingham, daughter of Rev. Thomas Willingham, a Baptist minister. Next year, coming to Texas, he settled in McKinney and in 1852 he opened up a stock of general merchandise in a clapboard house, which was considered a very good storeroom in the pioneer days of McKinney. In the course of time the rude clapboard structure gave way to more substantial buildings. During his long and successful [illegible] year [illegible] a merchant [illegible] never [illegible] changed locations and at present his sons, who succeeded him in 1891, are conducting an extensive business on the identical spot of ground where the father founded the establishment nearly forty-six years ago.

During the war period he temporarily closed his store and served in the confederate army. He is an elder in the Christian church of which his wife has held a membership in the McKinney congregation for thirty-seven consecutive years. They are the parents of three children all influential, prosperous and highly esteemed. They are W. B. and E. A. Newsome of this city and Mrs. Ella Daugherty, whose husband is a Gainesville lawyer and banker. The sons are happily married and fathers of interesting families.

With the bride of his young manhood, Mr. Newsome is quietly spending the evening of a useful and most exemplary career in the handsome old family residence standing on the site he selected to be his home nearly a half century ago.

The dedicatory service began promptly at 11 a. m. Sunday in the presence of 1500 people who occupied every available space in the building. Many stood in the entrances and many more left not being able to gain admission.

The program as published in the last issue of THE DEMOCRAT was followed closely. It was 12 o'clock when Homer T. Wilson was introduced by Elder Hallam to deliver the dedicatory address. After briefly complimenting the architecture and arrangements of the new building he announced his subject, "The Christ." Then began the strongest, most logical and most beautiful word painting ever heard by the writer. The character of Christ was represented by a picture on the canvas of time as described by the minister. The artist's brush dipped into matchles colors and with strokes of sublimity brought our before human gaze the lamb and the lion. These significant emblems represented the animal kingdom combining, meekness and innocence, strength and grandeur. Next the rose of Sharon was painted on the scene to add sweetness and beauty. The points by the speaker were clear and the entire audience proved appreciative by its universal silence and rapt attention. Many incidents in the life of Christ were portrayed with wonderful effect, but, to our mind, the most impressive, was the description of the scene when the crowd of wicked men brought before the saviour the woman for condemnation. Christ, with one sentence put them to flight. They were not without sin and the magic words of the Savior sank deep into each one's conscience. "Neither do I condemn thee. Go sin no more," were the words that dispelled the gloom and sorrow from a poor fallen creature. They fell from the lips of Divinity and the import of those words have never been equaled by ancient or modern philosophy. "Love thine enemies," "Bear ye one another's burdens," and many other wonderful declarations have baffled and out-stripped the philosophy of [illegible] every age, of every land, and of every clime. The witness Paul was brought forward and testified in favor of [illegible]

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How to prevent Pneumonia.

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Hugh McDonald has returned from Cornell University, N. Y., to spend the holidays at home.

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Will Cloyd of the Greenville postal service is visiting his parents.

Oh My!! Go and sample that "New Crop" La., Syrup at Mate Barnett's.

Twenty Years Proof.
Tutt's Liver Pills keep the bowels in natural motion and cleanse the system of all impurities An absolute cure for sick headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, constipation and kindred diseases.
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Tutt's Liver Pills

Notice.

The Sherman, Shreveport & Southern R. R. will sell excursion tickets Dec. 21 and 22 to all points in Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, North and South Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky, south of a line running through Central City, Glasgow and Somerset, Kentucky, at the rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets good for thirty days. The Sherman, Shreveport & Southern will run a special train from McKinney, leaving McKinney at 12.15 A. M. Dec. 21: arriving at Memphis 7:10 P. M. Dec. 21: making close connection at Memphis with all trains for the north, east and south; reaching Nashville from Memphis at 8 A. M. Dec. 22; making good connection with L. & N. north and south; N. C. & St. L. for Lebanon and Chattanooga; reaching Chattanooga via the Memphis and Charleston at 7:30 a. m.; making close connection at Chattanooga with the Queen and Crescent for the north, the Southern R. R. for Koxville, Morristown and other East Tennessee points, and with the Southern R. R. for Atlanta, Georgia, and other intermediate points.

See W. N. Collier for rates, tickets, and any other desired information. This is the quickest time and best service ever given from McKinney through the Memphis Gateway.

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Does it pay? Yes, because in case Dr. Simmons' Cough Syrup fails to cure or give satisfaction the purchase money is refunded. Try a bottle.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Davis, accompanied by their daughter, Miss Joe, arrived home from a visit to Rosenberg and other south Texas points. They stopped enroute home at Houston to see the great Fruit, Flower and Vegetable show.

The first quarterly conference for the new conference year will be held tomorrow (Friday) night. Presiding Elder Ashburn will be present.

Eld. S. W. Crutcher has been retained by the Christian congregation as pastor at Plano [illegible] year with an increased salary. This is gratifying news to Eld. Crutcher's McKinney friends who [illegible]

Eld. S. W. Crutcher of Plano is of a forgiving spirit, truly Christian like. He declared he had even forgiven the old sisters who said his son Jim's first sermon, which was preached here, was a "better sermon than his daddy could preach."

President Carlton, of Carlton College, is a Texas landmark. Thousands of parents hold him in affection to their hearts for the great influence he and his good wife have exerted for their children. He preached in McKinney a third of a century ago and is a patriarch in the Gospel ministry.

Plummer Harris one of the most active workers in Christian circles has been Sunday school Superintendent for a continuous period of 13 years. He is always awake and in the thickest of the fray in the battle against evil.

Capt. J. H. Jenkins, a gray-haired veteran disciple, attended the dedication and was a conspicuous figure as he rushed around like a youth trying to get seats for everybody. A half century ago nearly, he became a member of the Christian church in McKinney. He and Mrs. A. J. Taylor are the only two members now living who belonged to the original organization.

The membership now is over 300.

Mrs. Dr. Harrison Goodall Wooten of Austin sang several solos during the various exercises as did, also, Miss McCracken of the McKinney College.

Miss McCracken and Prof. Powell presided at the organ.

Mrs. I. D. Newsome, who is an invalid, was remembered by all who knew her and was the recipient of divine invocations.

All the congregations joined with the Christian brethren in the dedicatory services. All the pastors were present, except Rev. J. E. H. Galbraith of the Episcopal church, who was in Greenville filling his usual appointment. A letter of regrets and congratulation from him was read by Pastor Hallam.

Eld. J. B. Wilmeth, the organizer of this congregation, served Collin county several terms as district and county clerk. He was also the first county judge. His demise on the old home place just north of town occurred Jan. 15, 1892, or next day after the death of his wife. This coincidence was all the more remarkable from the fact that Elder Wilmeth often expressed the belief that he would die when his wife did. This premonition [illegible] true and the [illegible] proved [illegible] venerable couple, who were so faithful to each other during a long wedded life, refused to be parted by death and were buried in the same grave Jan. 18, 1892.

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THE JENNINGS BROTHERS.

Temple Houston of Texas Said to Be Their Counsel.

Guthrie, Okla., Dec. 9.—Considerable interest has been aroused throughout the Territory by the report Temple Houston of Woodward, son of Sam Houston of Texas fame, has been retained to defend the Jennings brothers and their gang in the coming trial for train robbery and other crimes.

A year ago during a saloon row at Woodward, Temple Houston shot and killed one of the Jennings brothers and seriously wounded Al Jennings, one of the men whom he will defend. Frank and Al Jennings and Houston have since been sworn enemies.

Frank Jennings is a lawyer of no mean ability having been very successful as prosecuting attorney of Canadian county, Oklahoma. When a young man he attended the University of West Virginia, where he studied law for two years. He is not a graduate of the University of West Virginia, as was stated at the time of his capture.

Farmers and Politics.

Taylor, Tex., Dec. 11.—The farmers of Williamson county held a mass meeting at the opera-house this evening at 2 o'clock with J. R. Hargis chairman. A resolution was introduced condemning the democratic and republican parties, whereupon Chairman Hargis stated that he refused to preside over the meeting if politics were to be discussed. Quite a lively time ensued. Mr. Hargis left the hall followed by quite a number of farmers.

J. A. Jackson was elected chairman and the resolutions were adopted. About 500 people were present.

PETERS ON THE RENT QUESTION.

President of the State Cotton Growing Association Gives His Views.

Calvert, Tex., Dec. 12.—Col. E. S. Peters of this place has just returned from Waco. He was asked regarding the money rent question and said he thinks it to the landlord's interest that his tenants should be in a position to secure merchants for their advances, and if landlords require money rent it is probable that they will allow the tenants a guaranteed price for enough cotton with which to pay it. It will be difficult for renters to get advances from merchants when money rent is paid, unless a satisfactory price for enough cotton to pay the rent is guaranteed by the landlord.

Dr. N. J. Mills of Corsicana, brother of Senator R. Q. Mills, has just learned of the death of his elder brother, Col. John N. Mills, which occurred at Hopkinsville, Ky., where he had lived ever since he was a young man. The deceased was one the most highly respected citizens in that section of Kentucky. At the time of his death Mr. Mills was in the 78th year of his age.

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For the guest within your gates—A gentle hint to go.

For your maiden aunt—A husband.

For your unmarried enemy—The maiden aunt aforesaid.

For your minister—A Bible.

For your son—A position down town with some one who will make him earn his salt.

For your daughter — Some clothes to help her capture some unsuspecting young man.

For some unsuspecting but otherwise worthy young man—The aforesaid daughter.

GOUGH FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

The Senator from Collin Is Squarely in The Race.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 12.—State Senator Jas. R. Gough of McKinney arrived in the city tonight and in an interview with The News correspondent said he was squarely in the race for lieutenant governor and would remain in until the convention decided who was to be the democratic nominee for that place. Mr. Gough's formal announcemsnt will be made in a short time.

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GENERAL NEWS.

Items of Interest Briefly Culled For The Readers of The Democrat.

W. T. Mayborn, aged 97 is dead. He was the oldest man in and first sheriff of Montague, county.

One robber was killed in an attempted hold-up on the Southern Pacific near Dening, N. M. Friday.

Weyler arrived in Madrid Sunday and was ovated by his Spanish admirers.

Actor Dahlborn dropped dead in Chicago Sunday.

Two miners perished in a Hartshorn shaft from some unknown cause, Saturday.

The Tom Green county executive committee has endorsed Dr. Grant.

Teodoro Herrera was set upon in the streets of Laredo, Tex., Saturday night by three parties and stabbed to death.

Mrs. Nancy Allison McKinley died at 2 a. m. Sunday and was buried, Tuesday, at Canton, O.

Miss Glayds Luther, leading lady with the "Bunch of Keys" opera company died in Denison Dec. 10th, of fever.

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Policeman Coghlin and a Pole are dead in Chicago as a result of a melee following the officer's attempt to arrest the latter.

Gov. Stephens of Missouri has commuted the death sentence of a negro to 50 years imprisonment. The negro killed a Hungarian in Kansas City last fall for hurrahing for Bryan.

D. Etherton was granted a $2499 damage verdict in Sherman last week against the Katy. He was injured in the Caddo Mills wreck some month ago.

Attorney J. A. Reed concluded his argument in an interesting suit at Amite City, La., Friday evening and stepped out of the courtroom when four assassins fired upon him with deadly aim, The murderers escaped.

James Durham a Denison wood dealer wants $2500 from the Central railway company. He was run into on a wagon at a crossing and among the injured members of his anatomy he mentions the spine, back, kidneys, lungs, heart and liver,

S. B. Mullen, a stranger, was assassinated on the 12th at Amite City, La., by unknown parties. This, following upon the murder of Joseph Reed in the same mysterious manner has caused great excitement there.

Senator Mills succeeds Senator Gorman as chairman of the senate committee on commerce. This is hailed with great approval by Texas as it means a greater influence will be exerted on the government for Texas improvements,

Near Blossom, Lamar county, a few days ago a negro woman returned home from a brief absence to find that her 18-month-old baby had fallen headlong into a large can used to keep slop in for the hogs and had drowned.

S. H. McMurry, living two miles east of Fate, Tex., in Rockwall county, had his residence burned last Tusday. Loss about $1260; insured in Liverpool and London and Globe for $800. A young lady who was living at Mr. McMurry's had some notes and accounts together with $19.75 in cash burned.

At Waverly, Ia., Judge Clyde on the 11th, sentenced Delilah Fails and Will Kern, aged 20 and 17 respectfully, to twenty and twelve years in the penitentiary. Young Kern and the Falls girl were lovers, to which the father of the boy objected. The Fails girl planned to murder the father, persuading the boy to assist her. On August 23 she wrote the elder Kern a note to meet her in the woods about five miles from Cedar Falls, and when he arrived at the appointed place, she shot him three times, and with the help of the son covered the body with brush, burning it up.

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